the Central Government though some references were received for providing financial assistance to the bank.

(c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

SBI Branches in Newly Created Districts of U.P.

1316. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are no SBI branches in any of the newly created districts of U.P.;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to open SBI branches in these districts;

(c) if so, the time schedule for doing so, district-wise; and

(d) by when such a branch would be opened in shravasti district?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) The number of branches of State Bank of India (SBI) which are functioning in the newly created Districts of Uttar Pradesh are as under:

Name of District	No. of Branches
Kannauj	7
Sant Kabirdas Nagar	12
Ambedkar Nagar	6
Sant Ravidas Nagar	4
Jyotiba Phule Nagar	8
Shahusi Mahraj Nagar	2
Gautam Budh Nagar	5

(b) and (c) State Bank of India do not have any pending proposal at present for opening a Branch in these Districts.

(d) In Shravasti District, SBI is already having a branch at Sahariyawan.